

#### 49TH REGULAR SESSION

shall in no one year exceed the sum of One Hundred and Eighty Dollars (\$180) for any such person.

"All funds provided from the compensation of each such person, or by the county, for such Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation Fund, as are received by the county, shall be invested in bonds of the United States, the State of Texas, or counties or cities of this State, or in bonds issued by any agency of the United States Government, the payment of the principal of and interest on which is guaranteed by the United States, provided that a sufficient amount of said funds shall be kept on hand to meet the immediate payment of the amount likely to become due each year out of said Fund, such amount of funds to be kept on hand to be determined by the agency which may be provided by law to administer said Fund; and provided that the recipients of benefits from said Fund shall not be eligible for any other pension retirement funds or direct aid from the State of Texas, unless the Fund, the creation of which is provided for herein, contributed by the county, is released to the State of Texas as a condition to receiving such other pension aid."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified voters of this State at an election to be held throughout the State in November, 1946, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Legislature to provide a Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation System for the officers and employees of the State of Texas and authorizing counties to provide such system for the appointive officers and employees of the counties of the State of Texas," and

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Legislature to provide a Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation System for the officers and employees of the State of Texas and authorizing counties to provide such system for the appointive officers and employees of the counties of the State of Texas."

Each voter shall scratch one of said clauses on the ballot, leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed Amendment.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution for Amendments thereto.

Passed the House, February 27, 1945: Yeas 133, Nays 1; House concurred in Senate amendments, May 17, 1945: Yeas 113, Nays 9, 1 present and not voting; passed the Senate, as amended, May 15, 1945: Yeas 21, Nays 2.

Filed without the Governor's signature, May 23, 1945.

To be voted at election to be held in Nov. 1946.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—ARTICLE 3, § 24

H. J. R. No. 11

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas so as to provide for continuous salary per diem of all members of the Legislature during their tenure of office.

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

Section 1. That Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Section 24. Members of the Legislature shall receive from the public Treasury a per diem of Ten Dollars (\$10) per day during their tenure of office. In addition to the per diem the members of each House shall be entitled to mileage in going to and returning from the seat of govern-

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ment, which mileage shall not exceed Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$2.50) for each twenty-five (25) miles, the distance to be computed by the nearest and most direct route of travel by land, regardless of rail-ways or water routes; and the Comptroller of the State shall prepare and preserve a table of distances to each county seat, now or hereafter to be established; and by such table the mileage of each member shall be paid; but no member shall be entitled to mileage for any extra session that may be called within one day after the adjournment of any regular or called session."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held throughout the State on the fourth Saturday in August, A. D. 1945, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment providing for continuous salary per diem of all members of the Legislature during their tenure of office" and

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment providing for continuous salary per diem of all members of the Legislature during their tenure of office."

Each voter shall mark out one of said clauses on the ballot, leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed Amendment.

Sec. 3. The Governor shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

Sec. 4. The provisions of this Constitutional Amendment shall be self enacting, and if a majority of votes at said election shall be cast for same the Governor shall, within thirty (30) days after said election, issue a proclamation declaring this Amendment to be a part of the Constitution of Texas.

Passed the House, as amended, February 20, 1945: Yeas 106, Nays 30;  
passed the Senate, March 28, 1945: Yeas 23, Nays 6.

Filed without the Governor's signature April 10, 1945.

Defeated at election held Aug. 25, 1945.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—ARTICLE 3, §§ 51a-51c

H. J. R. No. 13

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, amending Sections 51a, 51b, 51c, and 51d of Article III so that the same shall consist of one section to be known as Section 51a, providing that the Legislature shall have the power to provide assistance to and provide for the payment of same to actual bona fide citizens of Texas who are needy aged persons over the age of sixty-five (65) years, needy blind persons over the age of twenty-one (21) years, and needy children under the age of sixteen (16) years; providing for the acceptance of financial aid from the Government of the United States for such assistance; providing that the payments of such assistance from State funds shall never exceed either the payments from Federal funds or a total of more than Thirty-five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000) per year; providing for the necessary election, form of ballot, proclamation, and publication, and making an appropriation to defray the necessary expenses of proclamation, publication, and holding the election.

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

Section 1. That Sections 51a, 51b, 51c, and 51d of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended and the same are hereby amended so that the same shall hereafter consist of one section to be numbered 51a, which shall read as follows:

"Sec. 51a. The Legislature shall have the power, by general laws to provide, subject to limitations and restrictions herein contained, and